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The Honorable Julius Genachowski, Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Dockets 12-1863, 12-340, RM-11683

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

As an Arkansan living in a small town, I can tell you there are many advantages to being part of a rural, close-knit community. Unfortunately, there can also be a downside. Many of us were born here, raised here, and would love nothing more than to keep our families here. However, lots of folks have had to leave their hometowns, to find jobs in larger areas with more opportunities. While we've got plenty of strong values, character and work ethic, it seems we have less and less of almost everything that larger, metropolitan areas have. As a young professional and mother of a growing family, I truly believe that technology could be the great equalizer for rural America.

I wrote to you earlier this year, and I wanted to reach out again to support LightSquared – this time for its recent application for license modification. I appreciate the Commission's efforts to protect GPS services, and being from an agricultural state, I understand the important role that GPS plays in the lives of so many of our farmers who use high-precision devices. Even so, I've been really impressed with LightSquared's latest creative solution to vacate the very spectrum that presented interference issues with GPS receivers.

To me, this seems like a logical solution and a great deal for not just rural America, but also for the rest of the country. Furthermore, it appears to work nicely with the sharing platform that several of the Commissioners have advocated recently. Please move forward with allowing LightSquared to share spectrum with the federal government. It's imperative that our rural citizens have the same kind of access to broadband technology that folks in other parts of the country have, and I'm confident that LightSquared can help make that happen.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Melanie Beltran". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Melanie" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Beltran".

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